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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Inventor: Claude Zeller, et al.

For: METHOD FOR UTILIZING A FRAGILE WATERMARK FOR ENHANCED SECURITY

Enclosed are:

12 pages comprising the specification, claims, and abstract.

3 sheets of drawing.

A Declaration and Power of Attorney.

A Recordation of Assignment Request with attached copy of executed Assignment of the invention to

Pitney Bowes Incorporated, 1 Elmcroft Road, Stamford, Connecticut 06926-0700. (original + 1)

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METHOD FOR UTILIZING A FRAGILE WATERMARK FOR

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Sir:

I hereby certify that the attached Patent Application consisting of 12 pages and three sheets of drawings; Transmittal Letter (original + 1); Return Receipt Postcard; Declaration and Power of Attorney; and Recordation of Assignment with attached copy of executed Assignment (original + 1) were deposited with the U.S. Postal Service on March 1, 2002, for delivery by Express Mail. The number of the Express Mail mailing label is EK794131810US.

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